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OLD DOMINION UNIVERSITY
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Associate Dean's Message

Interprofessional Collaborative Education

As early as 1972 at the first Institute of Medicine (IOM) conference there was interest in promoting more team-based education for U.S. health professions. Specific attention was on preparing a health workforce that could optimally and cost-effectively meet the needs of patients, families and communities. Reports between then and now have made similar recommendations such as the 1998 Pew Health Professions Commission' and the 2000 IOM, "To Err is Human" revealed widespread patient error in U.S. hospitals associated with substantial preventable mortality and morbidity as well as major quality issues. Other related IOM reports (2001 "Crossing the Quality Chasm", 2003, "Health Professions Education: A Bridge to Quality", 2010 "Future of Nursing") discuss the value of team based education. For some time, the Macy Foundation and the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation have supported development of team-based collaborative education models. The first report from Interprofessional Education Collaborative (IPEC) a partnership of six associations of health professional schools presented a set of core competencies nursing (AACN), osteopathy (ACOM), pharmacy (AACP), dentistry (ADEA), medicine (AAMC), and public health (ASPH) established a set of competencies for interprofessional collaborative practice organized into four domains: Values and ethics for interprofessional practice; Roles and Responsibilities; Interprofessional Communication ;Teams and Teamwork. Although IPEC is the latest health care buzz word, the initial IOM recommendations were outlined in 2003 yet we have been slow to act on these recommendations, which is similar to the IOM recommendations about medical errors. A recommendation of the Expert Panel is the need for developing interprofessional faculty and instructional resources. To that end interprofessional faculty development training institutes have been established and representatives from our college were able to participate. In support of our Vision a multidisciplinary team represented the College of Health Sciences at the IPEC Institute Oct. 15-17 in Atlanta, Georgia. Members of the team included Gail Grisetti, Gianluca De Leo, Jim Blando and me. Over 300 individuals from approximately 60 institutions of all sizes from around the country were actively engaged in different phases of actualizing the core competencies. This newsletter will highlight the beginning efforts of the COHS to document its interprofessional collaborative work which includes the recent acquisition of the SON's HRSA grant aimed at promoting interprofessional education as well as the clinical collaborations that occurred during the international experiences of students and faculty. This work represents our continued commitment to educating "competent caring health professionals.



Best regards,

Richardean Benjamin, PhD, RN
Associate Dean, COHS

Interprofessional Collaborative Education

- ♦ The College of Health Sciences second **interdisciplinary study abroad** is scheduled for this spring break, March 9-16. Students and faculty from **Nursing and Physical Therapy** will travel to Dominican Republic for the weeklong trip. In partnership with Physicians for Peace, the focus of this trip is to work with the Resource Mothers Program. From the PFP website, "The Resource Mothers Program is modeled on a Virginia-based initiative to improve the health of expectant and new mothers and their babies to empower women in deprived and underserved neighborhoods in the developing world." As a result of participating in this study abroad, students should gain a better understanding of the healthcare realities of developing countries. ODU Health Sciences and PFP have a long history of working together in medical missions. This trip is led by Dr. Gail Grisetti, PFP healthcare volunteer award winner, and Mrs. Janice Hawkins. To read more about last year's trip, see page 22-26 of the Monarch Magazine: <http://www.odu.edu/content/dam/odu/offices/university-marketing-communications/monarch/issues/monrarch-magazine-2012-fall.pdf>
- ♦ Drs. Carolyn Rutledge (**Nursing**), Christi Fowler (**Nursing**), Karen Kott (**Physical Therapy**), Meg Lemaster (**Dental Hygiene**), and Kaprea Johnson (**Counseling**) will begin offering the first **interprofessional course** this spring. The numbers and titles vary in the catalog (NURS 663 Health Promotion) DNTH 663, Coun 695/895 (Topics) and PT 895 (Topics). The first course will focus on health promotion taught by faculty from all four professions. Students from each of the professions participate in this course as a collective group.
 - * Students will learn: (1) about the national push for interprofessional collaboration in education for health providers; (2) collaborate on health promotion projects; and (3) how to use technology to communicate at a distance.
 - * The projects will consist of the development of: 1) health promotion materials for providers to use in practice; 2) an education program for patient groups to be delivered in remote areas through distance technology; and 3) health promotion programs for individual patients using technology such as webinars, podcasts, and websites. The interprofessional faculty team have benefited greatly from their collaboration, as they are surprised by the roles each profession plays in the health promotion of various populations or learn new approaches to providing distance on-line education. Several of the faculty will be presenting findings from the project at national meetings this spring.



The Interprofessional course is funded under their HRSA Advanced Nursing Education Grant.

New Faculty and Staff Members



- ♦ **Dr. Kathryn Simms** joined the Office of Research in January 2012 as a grant writer for the College of Health Sciences. In this role, she collaborates mainly with Health Sciences faculty to facilitate the development of grant proposals. Her work ranges from editing nearly finalized grant proposals to assisting faculty in identifying funding sources and in building proposal development teams. Kathryn has previously been a COO/CFO of a regional healthcare corporation, a faculty member in the College of Business & Public Administration at Old Dominion University, and a research methodologist at Norfolk State University. She also has prior experience as a Principal Investigator and has published peer-reviewed studies in a variety of fields including business, health sciences, and education. She earned a

PhD from the University of Georgia in 1996 and a PhD in education from Old Dominion University in 2010.

- ♦ **David Figgs** joined the School of Nursing (SoN) in October 2012 as an Information Technology Specialist I. He previously worked part-time for Webb Media Services as a Computer Operation Tech 1 from 2009-2010 and received the Student Activities Council's (SAC) "Lifetime Achievement Award".

Prior to returning to ODU, David worked with General Dynamics Information Technology as one of the Lead Project Engineers for the Department of Defense United States Army. During this effort he received commendations for AV design and management of installation of High Visibility Distant Learning classrooms for Fort Jackson, SC US Army base. He is certified in Fiber Optics and Electronic Technology and is currently working on Audio Visual Systems Design and Fiber Optic Network Design.



- ♦ **Gordon Ward** joined the School of Medical Diagnostics and Translational Sciences on July 25, 2012 as Lab and Research Specialist I. He holds a B.S. in Biology from Randolph-Macon College. He previously worked at Shore Memorial Hospital on the Eastern Shore for 22 years as a Medical Technologist and Assistant Lab Manager. He is very happy that he was chosen for the position and states, "It has been a great 6 months. Everyone has been wonderful here".



Research

- ♦ **Dr. Micah A. Scott**, PhD, FNP-BC provided a podium research presentation at University of South Florida's Joining Forces to Restore Lives: Nursing Education and Research in Veterans Health Conference on November 13th. Dr. Scott's external peer review topic was titled "Prior Deployments and Years of Marriage as Correlates of Post Deployment Adaptation in United States Navy Families". **Dr. Kathleen F. Putnam**, PhD, WHNP-C is a second author of the presentation.

Dr. Micah A. Scott (left) is pictured with Patty Harnois-Church, MSN-ODU Class '04 of (right). Patty is on the faculty at ETSU and was attending the conference.



- ♦ Center for Learning and Teaching Awards Seven Faculty Innovator Grants Old Dominion's Center for Learning and Teaching (CLT) recently announced the Faculty Innovator Grant (FIG) awards for 2013. Seven proposals were selected; two from the College of Health Sciences. The FIG program encourages university faculty to explore the use of technology in teaching and learning issues that are targets for improvement and innovation. The final report for each grant will be published on the CLT portal as a resource for the campus community. Recipients will also present their completed projects as part of CLT's series of workshops, panels and/or special events. The selection criteria and other details about each grant project are available at <http://clt.odu.edu/fig/>.

The winning proposals from Health Sciences for 2013 are:

- "Autism Spectrum Disorder - Integrating Theory and Clinical Practice Perspectives"

Dr. Gail C. Grisetti, Physical Therapy and Athletic Training

Collaborating Faculty: Jonna Bobzien, Communication Disorders and Special Education

- "Radiographic Imaging for Mass Fatality Training in Dental Hygiene Students"

Tara Newcomb, Dental Hygiene

Collaborating Faculty: **Ann Bruhn**, Dental Hygiene

Carolyn Rutledge: Nominee for Virginia Outstanding Faculty Awards

Old Dominion honored its nominees for the 2013 Virginia Outstanding Faculty Awards at a luncheon last month in Webb Center. Administered by the State Council of Higher Education for Virginia (SCHEV) and funded by a grant from the Dominion Foundation, the awards program will announce the statewide winners on Jan. 23.

The Outstanding Faculty Awards are the commonwealth's highest honor for faculty at Virginia's public and private colleges and universities. These awards recognize superior accomplishments in teaching, research and public service.

ODU's nine nominees are: Gail Dodge, Jennifer Fish, John Ford, John McManus, John Nunnery, Mike Pearson, Zia Razzaq, **Carolyn Rutledge** (center) and Tom Socha.

An excerpt from Carolyn Rutledge's "Personal Statement" is reprinted below.

Carolyn Rutledge Associate Professor of Nursing

"Our country spends the most money on health care yet has the worst outcome among the industrialized nations of the world. Of great concern is the provision of quality care to vulnerable and rural disadvantaged populations. Health care professionals such as nurse practitioners and nurse midwives (the "caring" side of the medical establishment) can step in to fill this gap in service. To this end, I have developed a new paradigm for training health care providers in their own communities through distance learning and building collaborations with them through grant-writing and community partnerships."



Dr. Kenneth Marinak, Adjunct Associate Professor at Old Dominion University Honored for Contributions to the Dental Hygiene Profession

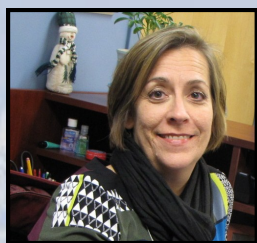
The Tidewater Dental Hygienists' Association (TDHA) honored Kenneth Marinak, DDS, periodontist, retired dental officer and educator by making him an honorary TDHA member. At a special ceremony in December 2012, TDHA President Cathy Seifert made the presentation in front of family, friends, and colleagues who came to recognize Dr. Marinak for his accomplishments. Dr. Marinak served as Head of the Periodontics Department, Naval Dental Center, Newport, Rhode Island and as the Navy's Regional Consultant in Periodontics for the Northeast Region. Time in military service included the Philippines, San Diego, Norfolk, Bethesda, Newport and aboard ship where he practiced oral surgery, trauma care, operating room anesthesia, and periodontics. In his role as adjunct associate professor since 2000, Dr. Marinak adeptly shares his expertise with dental hygiene students and faculty by regularly presenting seminars and lectures, teaching in the on campus Sophia and David Konikoff Dental Hygiene Care Facility, and serving on thesis committees. Even as a full-time periodontist in private practice, he finds time to provide seminars for oral care professionals in the community and publish in professional dental journals. Dr. Marinak's demeanor, talent, knowledge, experience and generosity make him an exceptional mentor, teacher and practitioner appreciated by students and colleagues.



Staff Accomplishments

- ♦ **Trina Hawkins**, Medical Diagnostic & Translational Sciences, is currently taking courses for a Bachelor's of Sciences in Interdisciplinary Studies Teacher Preparation Program with Licensure in Special Education under the general curriculum with Highly Qualified Designation in Elementary Education at ODU. Trina is currently enrolled in MATH 302 and ENG 336. She has completed thirteen courses at ODU towards her Bachelors of Science degree.

She also is the current Hourly and Classified Employee (HACE) president and has coordinated several events, including the HACE Fall Social 2012 and the HACE Annual Christmas party.



- ♦ **Barbara Mason**, Center for Global Health and PhD Health Services Program, completed Physical Geology Lecture and lab and Mathematics for Liberal Arts II at Thomas Nelson at TCC and earned a 4.0. This spring she is taking the second half of the Geology course and lab titled Historical Geology. Barbara is planning to transfer to ODU to pursue a BS in Human Services.

- ♦ **Connie Davis**, Dean's Office, was recently honored for 30 years of service at Old Dominion University during the 2012 Annual Service Ceremony. Her tenure has mirrored the progression of the College beginning as a unit of the College of Sciences through the transition to the College of Health Sciences. Her words of wisdom to new employees that embark on their career at the University is to remain positive, stay focused and always do your very best at whatever aspires you. Connie's work ethic has allowed her to be successful through all four Deans in the College's history. She is presently enrolled in the Star 12 Professional Development and Learning Network which provides an opportunity to learn and achieve increased success through powerful techniques.



- ♦ **Jane Plummer-Washington**, Dental Hygiene, completed introduction to Contemporary Business and Basic Information Literacy and Research this past fall semester and is currently taking Public Speaking, Business Ethics and Calculus for Business and Economics.

- ♦ **Betsy Thomas**, Business Manager, Dean's Office, has a degree in Marketing and is now minoring in Management. This semester Betsy is taking Algebra at ODU.
- ♦ **Tammie Smith**, Dean's Office, completed online courses in Creating Web Pages and Advance Web Pages and is planning to take online courses in Intermediate CSS3 and HTML5.

Upcoming Events

January

21 Martin Luther King Holiday-University Closed

February

12 Program Directors Luncheon- 12:30-1:30 pm
Location: HS (TBD)

20 Dean's Student Advisory Committee Luncheon-12:00-1:00 pm
Location: HS 2114

Drink water! The bitter temps. wreak havoc on your skin. Plus, water is the number one weight loss trick out there! Keep your body hydrated, your skin soft, and the pounds from adding up simply by sipping!